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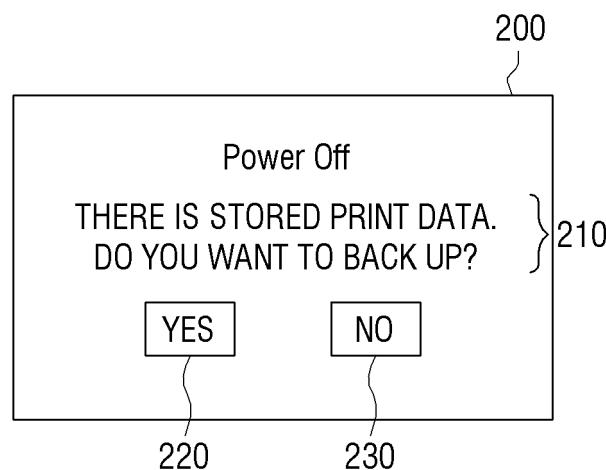
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(54) **Image forming apparatus, image forming method, and computer-readable recording medium**

(57) An image forming apparatus includes a communication interface unit which receives print data, an image forming unit which prints the received print data, a volatile memory which, if the received print data is data that needs to be stored, stores the received print data, and a controller which, if a power-off command regarding the

image forming apparatus is input, backs up print data stored in the volatile memory in a storage medium connectable to the image forming apparatus and converts an operation mode of the image forming apparatus to a power-off mode.

FIG. 2



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